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NRMA Road Safety Awareness Program at Canowindra Public School

The Visual Arts faculty and students from Years 7, 8 and 9 have been assisting Canowindra Public School in planning the design for a road map of the town and then painting this onto the pavement of level two. This project is an initiative of NRMA as part of their road safety awareness program in schools and is financially supported by them. The project is nearing completion with stencilling text, galvanised sheeting panels of buildings and final touch-ups yet to finish.

We would like to acknowledge Rob Ellis for the huge amount of time and assistance he has provided throughout the project.

Canowindra Show entries

Students again submitted entries for the Canowindra Show this year and many were rewarded for their efforts. As young community members, these students understand the importance of our local agricultural show and their willingness to submit entries is a testament to this. I congratulate and thank all those who placed entries or assisted in preparing the entries for submission. Well done to those who received awards for their artworks.

ARTEXPRESS excursion to Orange

Earlier this year we visited Orange Regional Art Gallery to view ARTEXPRESS. This is an annual exhibition of artworks created by students from government and non-government schools for the Higher School Certificate Examination in Visual Arts. The works demonstrate exceptional quality across a broad range of subject matter and media and include painting, photography, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, documented forms, collections of works, ceramics, digital animation, film and video, and textiles and fibre. Works come from students in both metropolitan and regional areas of NSW.

Mr T Dagg
Visual Arts teacher
Term 4 Week 2
Monday, 14 October 2013

Year 12 Farewell Assembly and HSC Exams

At the end of Term 3 Canowindra High farewelled Year 12 students at an assembly where various speeches were given by other students and staff, and Principal Neryle Smurthwaite presented the students with their Portfolios. The Year 12 gift to the school was two sets of sports shirts and students also gave acknowledgement to their individual teachers. The musical item was a drum solo performed by Year 12 student Curtis Hughes.

Today sees the commencement of the HSC exams for 2013. Canowindra High School wishes all students the best of luck in their exams.

LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY CAFE
The Library is pleased to announce that each Thursday we will be open at recess for our Library café. Tea, coffee and Milo will be available for purchase in the library and readers will be able to sit and read while they enjoy a quiet cuppa. This luxury is available for READERS ONLY. No computers will be given out at this time.

- Tea, coffee and Milo – 50c
- Tea, coffee and Milo with a biscuit – $1

BOOK SALE – Because we are getting many new and exciting books, we must make room for them. All next week there will be second hand books on sale at recess outside the library for students and staff. Prices range from 20c to $1. Come and browse the collection and see if there is anything that interests you at these bargain prices.

LIBRARIANS BOOK CHOICE for this week is I Am Number Four by Pittacus Lore. It is a sci-fi adventure book that I couldn’t put down. I will definitely be reading the next one in the series entitled The Power of Six. These books will hit the shelves this week.

Principal’s News
The Higher School Certificate has arrived with our Year 12 student undertaking their first English paper this morning. This first exam is the start of a four week examination period and on behalf of the staff and students we wish them well during this time. As in previous years their results will arrive just prior to the end of the school year.

A huge thank you must go out to the parent volunteers who spent last Saturday morning laying mulch in some of the gardens around the school. The hard work of this small band truly reflects the great community pride in our school and the partnerships we share.

On the evening of Wednesday, 30th October there will be a presentation on the Mental Health issues of depression and anxiety to be held in the school hall. This evening has been organised by our local community and will have, as one of its presenters, renowned entertainer Angry Anderson speaking. I encourage all interested parents and community members to attend. Further information can be found in the enclosed insert.

This term saw the commencement of HSC studies for our Year 11 students and I would like to remind parents that nothing else has changed with respect to our school’s expectations. Year 11 students must still attend sport, participate in NULIT and attend all timetabled lessons, they cannot sign in late or leave early. As our senior students it is their responsibility to set the standard of behaviour and academic application for all our students.

Congratulations to Rhys Maere and Nathan Whatman on being last week’s Canteen Voucher winners.

REMINDER
Canowindra High School will be changing over to the new finance system as of the end of October. This new system will involve the use of entire new banking accounts and therefore we would appreciate any direct deposits made to be done so by the 31st October, 2013. New banking details will be issued to all families to enable direct deposits towards the end of November. Cash and cheque payments can still be received at the school office.

Neryle Smurthwaite
Principal
BREAKEAWAY PROGRAM PRESENTATION

A special ceremony was held on Tuesday 17th September to recognise the completion of the Breakaway Program for this year and celebrate with family and friends the achievements of the students involved.

This year two boys from Canowindra High School joined with nine boys from Cowra High’s Year 10 to participate in the Breakaway Program. Over one day a week for two terms the boys have completed units from the TAFE Skills for Work and Training module, with the practical focus of restoring an old Holden ute. Under the guidance of TAFE teacher Tony Graham the boys have almost totally rebuilt this vehicle, in the process developing lots of worthwhile automotive skills. Along the way they also completed health units with Jack Daley and Headspace as well as undertaking the Making a Difference driving course and learning about the police force as a career with IPROWD.

Particular thanks goes to NRMA Insurance which funded some aspects of this year’s Breakaway Program, along with TVET funding from the Department of Education and Communities. The students would like to thank all personnel from the agencies involved as well as other session presenters.

Each year Repco donates a prize for the boys doing Automotive and this year Wesley Blair was nominated as the most worthy student to receive this prize.

Congratulations to all students involved for their excellent attendance, participation and achievement over the two terms.

SRC PING PONG COMPETITION

Many fans flocked to the quad in anticipation; after all this was what they had been waiting for all season; the ping pong grand final! After an exciting yet punishing ping pong season, it all came down to the eight worthy grand finalists. The games were called by Ping Pong enthusiasts Ebanne Malae and his trusty side kick; ‘have a say Gene Tarrant’. In the junior game we saw Matt Harrison and his partner Lachlan Balcombe victors as they crushed their opponents Max Wensley and Mitch ‘Stan’ Stanley in an epic battle of the paddles.

After receiving their trophies and their whopping $5 vouchers to the canteen we had the main event; the senior ping pong grand final. Curtis Hughes and Tim Wythes were unable to play as they had a bad case of cold feet so Mitchell McAllister and Will Middleton were given a second chance to claim the title. Their dreams were quickly shattered as they came face to face with their opponents Talby Upton and Tim Middleton. This dynamic duo had been the talk of the season, as fans saw them as the underdogs. Week in, week out, victory after victory, we saw this team make history through their fairy tale run to the grand final. Both teams approached the table and began the match that will go down in history as one of the most thrilling and monumental games ever. Although Will and Mitchell tried their hardest, Tim Middleton and Talby Upton were simply too classy for their opponents and won the game 21 points to 6.

The SRC did a fine job in bringing something different to strive for and enjoy in lunchtimes, so well done and keep posted for the next competition where the victors will have to defend their titles.

Congratulations Kim

Last Term Kim Kemper completed her Certificate III in Health Service Assistance, after 2 years study through Cowra TAFE. This will allow her to seek employment in

Congratulations Melana

Congratulations to Melana Pearce of Year 10 who was named the Junior Miss Show girl at the recent Canowindra Show.

Congratulations also to the other girls who participated.
### White Elephant Stall

Canowindra Public School Fete is on Friday 1 November. Canowindra High School will be running a White Elephant Stall. If anyone would like to donate goods for this stall they can leave them in the box in the front foyer. Contact Kathy Davis at the school on 63441305 if you have any questions.

### October is Mental Health Month

**Do you need some more help?**

For 24/7 counselling and support
- Lifeline - 13 11 14
- Salvos Care Line—1300 363 622
- Kids Help Line—1800 55 1800
- Mensline Australia—1300 789 978
- Suicide Call Back Service—1300 659 467

These numbers are either free or the cost of a local call

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### What's On

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### Assessments Due

#### Week 2B

- Yr 10– PDHPE 4; Science 4
- Yr 9– Geography 2; IT-Timber 3

#### Week 3A

- Yr 10– Food Tech 4
- Yr 9– PDHPE 4